

Across Sicily

7 nights

Day 1 ARRIVAL CATANIA AIRPORT

Overnight Siracusa area

Arrival at Catania Airport, meet the driver and transfer to the Hotel.

Day 2 COOKING CLASS

Overnight Siracusa area

In this immersive cooking class, you'll begin your experience with an introduction to the chef, who will share their passion for Sicilian cuisine. The journey begins with a visit to the local market, where you'll explore the vibrant stalls filled with fresh, seasonal ingredients—fruits, vegetables, fish, and local delicacies. The market tour offers an opportunity to learn about the key ingredients of Sicilian cooking and how to select the best produce for your dishes. After gathering all the ingredients, you'll head to the kitchen, where the real magic happens. With the chef's guidance, you'll learn to prepare traditional Sicilian dishes, such as Pasta alla Norma, Caponata, or Arancini, while listening to the chef's stories and anecdotes about the history and culture behind each dish. You'll discover the secrets of Sicilian flavors, like the perfect balance of sweet and sour in Caponata or the unique use of fresh herbs and citrus in seafood dishes.



Once the cooking is complete, it's time to sit down and enjoy a delicious lunch featuring the dishes you've prepared. The meal is accompanied by local beverages, such as Sicilian wines or refreshing drinks, allowing you to savor the flavors of Sicily in a relaxed and convivial atmosphere.

This experience is not just about cooking; it's an opportunity to dive into the culture, history, and soul of Sicilian food, making it a memorable and authentic culinary adventure in the heart of Ortigia.



The today's excursion from Siracusa to Noto and Marzamemi is a blend of Baroque heritage, stunning architecture, and seaside tranquility.

The amazing cathedral of Noto took shape in the 18th century as part of widespread construction following the 1693 earthquake. A flight of steps leads to an imposing baroque façade, flanked with Corinthian columns and statues of saints.

Inside, a 16th-century silver ark contains the remains of the city's patron saint.



The amazing Palazzo Nicolaci (Nicolaci was the most famous family in the village), a sprawling 90-room pad in a baroque style, is one of the most impressive



visitor attractions in Noto today. You'll admire the wrought-iron balconies supported by stone mermaids, angels and winged horses.

In the afternoon, head to Marzamemi, a charming fishing village just 20 minutes from Noto. The village's heart is Piazza Regina Margherita, ideal for unwinding. Visit the historic Tonnara di Marzamemi, a 17th-century tuna fishing complex, and enjoy the seafront with its clear waters. The village's roots trace back to the Arab period, when it was a bustling fishing port.

It was once a thriving center for the tuna fishing industry, particularly for its *tonnara* (tuna fishery), a centuries-old tradition that involved the mass capture and preservation of tuna. Although the tonnara is no longer active, visitors can still see the old tuna processing buildings, which have now been restored and are part of the town's historical charm.

The beach is perfect for a swim, and the seafood restaurants offer traditional Sicilian dishes.

Return to Siracusa, concluding a day of cultural and coastal beauty.



Transfer toward Piazza Armerina.

The Villa Romana del Casale, located near Piazza Armerina, is a UNESCO World Heritage site renowned for its remarkably well-preserved mosaics.

Dating back to the 4th century AD, this Roman villa once belonged to an aristocratic family and features beautifully detailed scenes depicting mythology, daily life, and wildlife.



The highlight of the villa is the mosaic of the "Women in Bikinis", an astonishingly modern depiction of women engaging in sports. Other notable mosaics include scenes of hunting and festivities. The mosaic cover 3,500 sq metres floor and are almost unique in their excellent state of preservation due to the landslide and floods that covered the ruins.

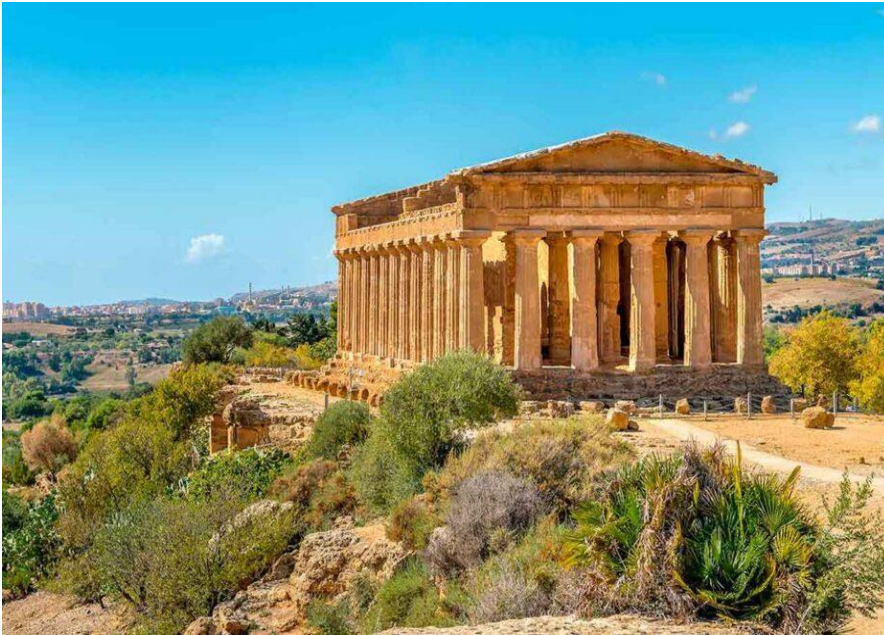
The villa also boasts an impressive thermal complex and heated floors, showcasing the advanced Roman engineering used for comfort.

Set against the scenic Sicilian countryside, the site offers a unique glimpse into the past, blending historical richness with natural beauty.

Lunch in typical trattoria

Transfer to your next Hotel in Agrigento area.





Visit to the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, City of Culture 2025 with your local guide.

The Valley of the Temples in Agrigento is one of Sicily's most iconic archaeological sites, known for its stunning ancient Greek ruins. This UNESCO World Heritage site features a collection of well-preserved temples, including the famous Temple of Concordia and the Temple of Juno, which offer a glimpse into the grandeur of ancient Akragas, one of Sicily's greatest Greek cities.

In 2025, Agrigento will be celebrated as the City of Culture, highlighting its historical significance and rich cultural heritage. During the visit, you'll have the chance to explore the temples, enjoy the surrounding landscapes, and learn about the city's fascinating history through exhibits and events that will be held throughout the year. It's an unmissable destination for those interested in ancient history and cultural exploration.

The temples exhibit classic Doric architecture and are positioned along a ridge, providing a stunning view of the surrounding landscape and the Mediterranean Sea. The Temple of Concordia is particularly well-preserved and is considered one of the best-preserved ancient Greek temples. It is also one of the main attractions in the Valley. In addition to the temples, the Valley includes other archaeological remains, such as ancient city walls, necropolises, and sanctuaries.



Lunch in a local venue

Continue onto Palermo.

Embark on a day full of culture, history, and Sicilian charm, beginning with a departure to Monreale. Here, you'll visit the breathtaking Monreale Cathedral, renowned for its stunning Byzantine mosaics that cover the interior, telling biblical stories in vibrant colors.



Adjacent to the cathedral, the Cloister of Monreale awaits you, a true masterpiece of medieval art with intricately designed arches and columns, reflecting the grandeur of Norman architecture.

After exploring Monreale, head to Palermo, the lively capital of Sicily, for the continuation of your tour passing by the exterior of some of Palermo's most iconic landmarks, including the Palazzo dei Normanni



(Norman Palace), Palermo Cathedral, a magnificent fusion of architectural styles, and the Martorana Church, known for its stunning mosaics. Don't miss the Fontana della Vergogna, a baroque fountain in the heart of the city, which stands as a symbol of Palermo's complex history.

For lunch, indulge in a street food tasting, where you'll savor traditional Sicilian treats like arancini (fried rice balls), panelle (chickpea fritters), and sfincione (Sicilian pizza), offering a delicious insight into Palermo's culinary culture.

Afterward, get ready for an unforgettable Ape Calessino Tour. Hop into one of these colorful three-wheeled vehicles, a beloved mode of transport in Sicily. Accompanied by expert drivers, you'll navigate Palermo's winding alleys and hidden corners, discovering the lesser-known but equally enchanting sides of the city. In just one hour, you'll experience the vibrant energy of Palermo, with the opportunity to take in the city's most beautiful and captivating sights.

This tour combines art, history, gastronomy, and local culture, offering a comprehensive and immersive experience of Palermo and its surroundings.



DAY 7 – PALERMO BOAT TOUR EXPERIENCE

Overnight Palermo area

Embark on an unforgettable boat excursion along the stunning Palermitan coastline, starting with a scenic navigation around the Addaura area. As you cruise, enjoy breathtaking views of the rugged coastline and crystal-clear waters of the Mediterranean. The journey includes stops at Mondello, a charming seaside town known for its golden beaches and turquoise waters, and at the Grotte della Regina,



where you can explore the fascinating sea caves and enjoy moments of tranquility surrounded by nature.

During the excursion, you'll have the opportunity to relax, go snorkeling in the pristine waters, and savor delicious local delicacies, experiencing the authentic flavors of Sicily. This unique experience is perfect for those seeking to explore the natural beauty of Palermo's coastline, with its hidden gems and spectacular views.

(The itinerary and boat type may change)



Day 8 – DEPARTURE DAY – ARRIVEDERCI SICILY

Check out the room, meet the driver and transfer to Palermo airport.